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DWAN B. WALKER, Mayor SAMUEL L. GILL, City Administrator

Aliquippa-Hopewell Brodhead Corridor Businesses

RE: Beaver County DA Cam Initiative

Automatic License Plate Reader Network

Dear Owner/Manager of Commercial Partners:

Please allow this letter to confirm the support I have extended to your municipal police department and municipality as we establish the ALPR camera network throughout Beaver County.

I ask you to consider partnering with us in placing ALPR cameras in your community. Over the past 5 years, these cameras have dramatically increased the "solve rate" for commercial crimes, violent crimes and drug crimes across Allegheny County. Due to that success, the Allegheny County DA and local police and local schools installed ALPR systems at over 100 intersections. Due to that success, we established a common effort to expand ALPR's to critical traffic choke points in Beaver County, Butler County, Washington County and Westmoreland County. In January 2019 we installed the first ALPR systems in Beaver County. We now have over 20 intersections covered in 8 municipalities with intersections planned or being installed in at least 4 more municipalities.

Why this effort? A cooperating police department can rapidly identify an offender or track an offender's vehicle to or through any covered intersection in 5 counties to make a timely identification or arrest. Police can post an "alert" to identify the location of a wanted subject. Police can preserve video of fleeing vehicles, car accidents and personal injuries reducing the chance of false claims. ALPR's increase the "solve rates" while reducing investigation time and costs. Think of the time it takes for police to canvass a neighborhood or shopping district for individuals or businesses with cameras which might have imaged a person or vehicle? With ALPR you have known network of high quality cameras. We can reduce costs, reduce crime, reduce false claims, and enhance the success of a business community.

A word of clarification. ALPR is a means to identify a fleeing vehicle to allow for rapid arrest, solving a crime or automobile accident. ALPR is a post-event investigative tool. ALPR is NOT a red-light camera, NOT a speed trap, and NOT a traffic enforcement device.

In order to encourage development of these crucial law enforcement tools:
I have authorized your police department to use their drug forfeiture funds to pay the annual
upkeep and access fees for the camera system. Because the initial installation costs are out of
reach for most departments, we look to commercial partners such as your-self to assist with these
installation costs.
I will provide whatever support you and your municipality require in order to coordinate the
location of cameras, explain the security and commercial benefits of this effort, and assist in
creating commercial funding partnerships;
I pledge \$5,000.00 from the District Attorney Drug Forfeiture Funds towards the installation or
network costs of the municipality's ALPR system; and
I agree to serve as the Right to Know Officer for the municipal ALPR System and thus

Our current goal is to establish ALPR on the Brodhead Road-Mill Street-Kennedy Boulevard Corridor.

defray their burden of dealing with Right To Know Requests and video data requests.

If you do make a financial contribution towards installing an ALPR System in your municipality, you may make that payment tax deductible by going through a Beaver County based non-profit. For this program we have partnered with Beaver County Crime Solvers [www.beavercountycrimesolvers.com] Your contribution check may be made payable to the "Beaver County Crime Solvers", the memo line should read: "ALPR Contribution --- [municipality]. Crime Solvers will in turn pay those funds to the vender chosen by your municipality to install the system.

Please let me know if you have any questions on the ALPR System and I thank you in advance your support

Very truly yours,

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